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OF COMPUTING DEVICES", naming Liang et al as inventors; and (vi) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/683,554 (Attorney Docket No.: TRNDP013), entitled "INNOCULATION OF COMPUTING DEVICES AGAINST A SELECTED COMPUTER VIRUS", naming Liang et al as inventors.

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Please replace paragraph ²⁷[0022] with the following amended paragraph:

²⁷[0022] In addition to providing scalability, the tiered architecture of network 100 provides for topologically advantageous positioning of the network virus monitor 102. For example, in the instant case, virus monitor 102 is placed between the tier 2 switch ~~122~~ 120 and the lower level tier 3 switch ~~124~~ 122 to which the various client devices 104 - 116 are coupled. In this way, all network traffic between the tier 2 switch (which may be coupled directly to the Internet backbone, for example) and any of the tier 3 switches can be monitored by the virus monitors 102 at a point prior to any of the client devices. By providing a bulwark against a potential virus attack, the virus monitors 102 provide a focal point for virus detection, virus outbreak prevention, and, if needed, virus outbreak cleanup and restoration that, in turn, effectively protect the various client devices from the attacking virus. It should be noted, that a docking port 125 can be included in network 100 arranged to accept temporary, or visitor, client devices.

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